

Our Dumb Animals.

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"The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals," "The American Humane Education Society," and "The American Band of Mercy."

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THOSE THAT



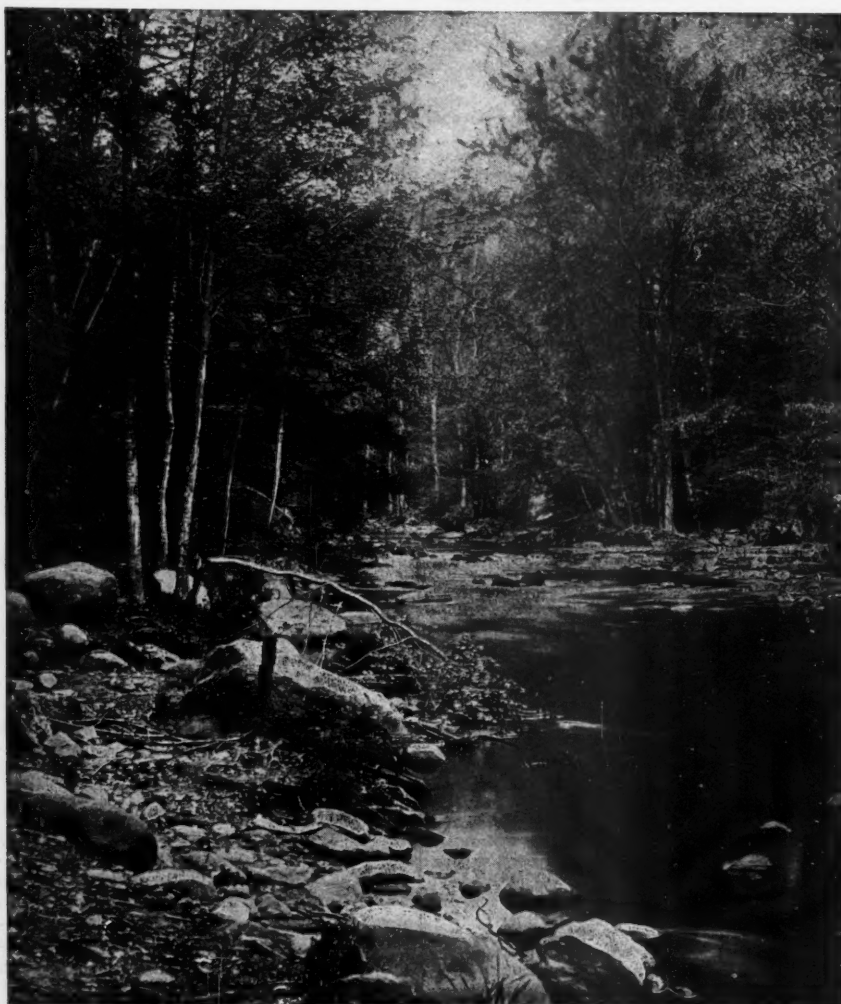
CANNOT SPEAK
FOR THEMSELVES."

I would not enter on my list of friends,
Though graced with polished manners and fine sense,
Yet wanting sensibility, the man
Who needlessly sets foot upon a worm.—COWPER.

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SUMMER IN THE WOODS.

THE ARIOCH WENTWORTH WILL.

In memory of the generous gifts of our good friend, Arioch Wentworth, to our "American Humane Education Society" and "Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals," we have, in addition to the employment of several new agents, been most glad to offer twenty dollars to upwards of three hundred Massachusetts country towns to aid in establishing watering-places for animals, and in behalf of our "American Humane Education Society," are now printing at a cost of about ten thousand dollars two hundred thousand copies of "Black Beauty," "The Strike at Shane's" and "Our Gold Mine at Hollyhurst," to be sold to dealers, churches, schools and others in quantities of five hundred or more at two and one-half cents a copy [about half the cost of printing], also to offer, as described in our July issue, a prize of two hundred dollars for the best story, not exceeding in length "Black Beauty," illustrating the sufferings of animals in war.

These are only the beginnings of plans for using the money given us by Mr. Wentworth. If other rich men will follow his example we can carry our humane publications and "Bands of Mercy" into nearly every public and parochial school in America, and "Our Dumb Animals" not only (as now) to every newspaper and magazine in our own country and British America, but also to millions of other readers. On our last page will be seen its present circulation.

We have also plans for reaching our higher institutions of learning and doing much to offset the spirit of war and fighting now so widely prevalent in our country with another spirit that shall demand in the words of our seal and banner, "Peace on earth and good will to every living creature."

With the help a Carnegie might give it

would be possible to accomplish, perhaps, the grandest and most beneficent revolution the world has ever seen. We have already printed and caused to be printed more than three millions copies of the above-named publications, "Black Beauty," "The Strike at Shane's" and "Our Gold Mine at Hollyhurst."

Of course we need a Humane Building, parts to be used for our growing work and the rest properly let to aid it, and should be glad to make it the permanent monument of the givers, but to obtain it we must not lessen our power to carry out the great work before referred to.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

THE LATE ARIOCH WENTWORTH.

The late Arioch Wentworth, a good friend of ours for many years, directed in his last will that one hundred thousand dollars should be given "to each of Mr. Angell's two humane societies," meaning thereby "The American Humane Education Society" and "The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals."

Realizing that this money was not given to pay the salaries of future generations who, if they deserve salaries, will have no difficulty in obtaining them, we have already arranged, as stated in a previous editorial, to have all our country towns in Massachusetts aided in establishing watering-places for animals, with cups and chains for travellers, and the inscription on or near each, "Blessed are the merciful"—also for the employment of additional agents.

And for our "American Humane Education Society" we are now printing two hundred thousand copies of "Black Beauty," "The Strike at Shane's" and "Our Gold Mine at Hollyhurst," to be sold at about one-half the cost of printing—two and one-half (2½) cents per copy—to all ordering not less than 500 copies; and have offered a prize of \$200 for the best story [not longer than "Black Beauty"] showing the sufferings of horses and other animals by war.

These are only the beginnings of plans we have in view for using the money of our good friend Arioch Wentworth and other good friends who may follow his example. There was never a more important time or place for humane education than right here in our own country just now, and all that is needed to make our work fifty times as great is simply money.

Whether we shall have a Christian humane republic, with peace at home and abroad, or wars, crimes of violence and, perhaps, national ruin, is a question to be settled largely by humane education.

While all the other colonies were engaged in constant wars with the Indians, William Penn lived in perfect peace with all the tribes about him.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

SUMMER HOTELS.

We have recently sent to nine hundred and twenty-five summer hotels packages of our publications, and to about two hundred more bound volumes of this paper.

President Stetson of Des Moines College, Iowa, says: "I believe most thoroughly in the noble work of your American Humane Education Society."

FROM THE HUNDREDS OF NEWS-PAPERS.

From the hundreds of newspapers and letters giving us kind notices, which we think should encourage all other humane workers, we publish the following:—

(From The Springfield Republican.)

More than 300 Massachusetts towns are to receive \$20 each from the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, to aid in establishing watering-troughs or fountains for animals, to which shall be attached an iron cup for the use of human beings. "and on or near which shall be inscribed or painted the words, 'Blessed are the merciful.'" The Society should not have stopped with half the text—the result of the postulate should be given, "For they shall obtain mercy." But it is a good thing, anyway, and the selectmen of all these towns are requested to inform President Geo. T. Angell of their acceptance, and then checks will be forwarded for the amount. This furnishing of watering troughs or basins is a duty of the towns, and it is much to the discredit of our particular region of Western Massachusetts that there are so few places for horses to drink by the roadsides, while springs and brooks are so abundant and so easily practicable. The action of the Society is in memory of the late Arioch Wentworth. The Society, says Mr. Angell in *Our Dumb Animals*, is planning for a large increase of humane educational work, in the state, "and a vastly larger increase by our American Humane Education Society of humane education over our whole country, and possibly to some extent over the world." For particulars, let those mercifully inclined write to Mr. Angell, 19 Milk street, Boston.

(From the Troy, N. Y., Daily Press.)

The late Arioch Wentworth left generous bequests to two Humane Societies of Boston, and the money is to be promptly applied to noble uses. For instance, President George T. Angell of both the Societies "offers to the selectmen of each of the over three hundred Massachusetts country towns twenty dollars to aid in establishing watering troughs or fountains for animals, attached to which should be an iron cup for the use of human beings, and on or near which shall be inscribed or painted the words, 'Blessed are the merciful.'" This is practical encouragement of an enterprise which might well be emulated in the villages of New York and other states. To give a cup of water to the man or beast sorely in need of it exemplifies Christian character. By a small outlay of the nature suggested, a great deal of suffering might be obviated. Thirst at times is something terrific, and horses, cattle, sheep, dogs, cats and other animals thoughtlessly deprived of the chance of securing water when they need it have a just grievance against our vaunted humanity. The inscription suggested to the contemplated watering troughs is a good one, for it is full of meaning and rich with promise.

(From the Bangor, Me., News.)

"It gives us much pleasure to notice that the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is in a most prosperous condition and is reaching out in its good work so as to include the most remote school district in the commonwealth. Mr. George T. Angell, the president, and almost the creator of the Society, has devoted his life to the work of protecting animals from the cruelty of depraved men. Though he is the mildest of men to meet, a kind citizen who makes no trouble for anyone, he is as firm as a rock when dealing with the malefactors who inflict needless torture to dumb creatures. We have read his choice little monthly, *Our Dumb Animals*, for years and always with increasing pleasure. To any of our humdrum plodders along the way of life, it is a marvel—almost a miracle—to note the pages and columns of interesting and readable matter which Mr. Angell edits and writes from month to month. He has been years writing and talking on this subject, and though he seems to cover the entire field with every issue of his magazine, he finds something new to say at all times. The fertility of his brain is most wonderful. He is a prodigy of valor and determination to keep up the agitation until he shall have won the great battle in which he is engaged.

"More than twenty years ago we were impressed

with the great work he had undertaken, and as occasion came to us we bespoke him kindly in conversation and through the papers. At that time we believed he had undertaken a task so great that decades and perhaps centuries would have to elapse before his dream came true. But he has lived to see a complete change in public sentiment regarding the treatment of animals. He has secured the passage of laws favoring the care of animals and punishing those who abuse animals in nearly every state. By his earnest work through his paper and churches and schools he has succeeded in turning the minds of humanity from cruelty to compassion. From a beginning no bigger than a mustard seed, his Society has grown and spread out until it has become a mighty tree to shelter and protect God's creatures. There is no man in all history who has done more to ennoble and uplift the human race and to teach kindness than has Mr. Angell. Every noble dog and every patient horse is better off and surer of protection from wrong-doing because George T. Angell has lived and worked in their behalf."

[From the Acton (Ontario) Free Press.]

GEO. T. ANGELL, ESQ.,

Pres. American Humane Education Society,
Boston, Mass.

DEAR SIR:—I take the liberty of writing to congratulate you upon your very successful efforts in the cause of humane education throughout the American continent. Your influence has been salutary and widespread.

Our Dumb Animals is a most welcome visitor to this office every month, and rarely does an issue go to press without selections from your columns.

I think "The Strike at Shane's" one of the strongest appeals for humane treatment of dumb animals ever published.

May you in your declining years have the inward consciousness that your life has been well spent as the dumb brutes' champion and in the inculcation of principles which have divine inspiration and favor.

Fraternally,

(Signed) H. P. MOORE, Editor and Publisher.

FROM CHIEF JUSTICE BARNARD.

MY DEAR MR. ANGELL:

Upon this recurrence of your birthday, which I am sure only marks the completion of one more cycle of your immortal youth, I beg to join those who hold your name dear, and who are grateful for the grand results of your life-work. For forty years your name has been a synonym for all that is best and noblest in the broad field of humane education, and your enthusiasm has been an inspiration to those who have known your constant and loyal devotion to the highest ideals of life, and who have felt the touch of the lofty spirit which has animated you from the first.

I beg you to accept my most sincere and cordial good wishes, and I hope and pray that a kind Providence will spare you yet a long time with us, to brighten the lives of God's suffering ones, whose voiceless woes have made you their bold and true champion.

Believe me, dear Mr. Angell,

Your faithful friend,

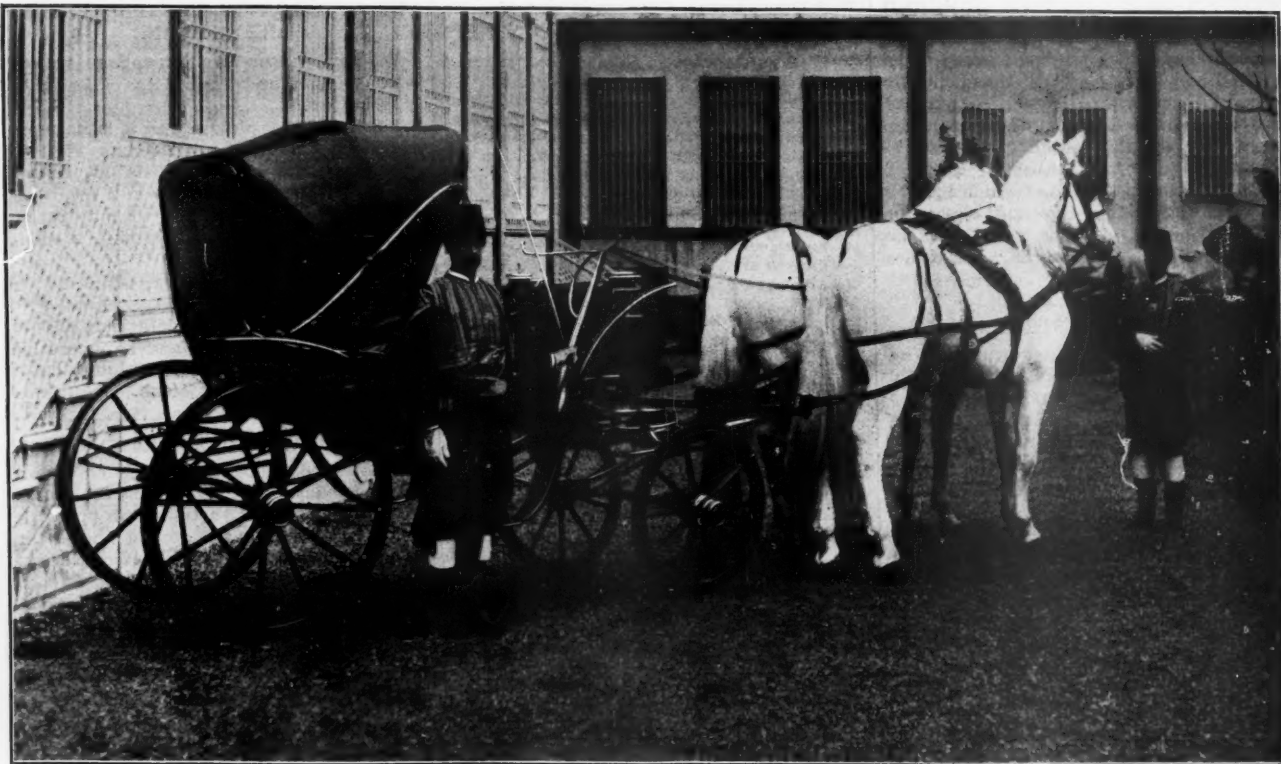
CHARLES A. BARNARD.

"BANDS OF MERCY."

We have now formed our "Bands of Mercy" in the public and parochial schools of nearly all our Massachusetts cities and towns. This has included addresses to all the schools, the sending to each Band various humane publications and "Our Dumb Animals" for one year.

To our thoughtful readers this alone will seem a great work, but it is comparatively small when compared with the tens of thousands of Bands we have formed and caused to be formed all over our own country in every state and territory, and to a considerable extent in British America and in various places in Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and sea islands.

GEO. T. ANGELL.



THE TURKISH SULTAN'S CARRIAGE AND HORSES.

Sent us by a friend who has seen them.

THE GREAT FIRE AT CHICAGO WHICH
BURNED DOWN ONE-THIRD OF
THE CITY.

This account ought to be immortalized by a poem as stirring as "*Sheridan's Ride*" or "*The Charge of the Six Hundred*."

On the morning of that terrible Monday, when one-third of the Garden City went down in the maelstrom of fire and flame, there occurred one of the strangest, and probably most fearful, trotting races on record. It was a race wherein the fire-fiend and storm-king went in double harness, with death for the driver, against Mr. Fred Blackmar and his brown mare, Kittie. It was a single dash of less than a mile, contested with all the firmness of fate on one side, and only a hope of salvation on the other. Kittie, who had become a well-known equine to all those who frequented the boulevards, was stabled in a barn on Dearborn Street, almost opposite the post-office. The fire had eaten far into the city and was rapidly swallowing building after building in its rapacious jaws. Southward and northward along famed Newspaper Avenue, as Dearborn Street was sometimes called, the fire was driven by the fierce gale, which swept in eddies from over the prairies.

Blackmar, who lived in the west division, had gone down early in the fight to assist in saving property from the store; and it was not until late on Monday morning that he thought of brown Kittie. Then he started for the barn, only to find the front of the building was one vast sheet of flame. Nowhere could he see the hostler. Through the back door he rushed into the stable, and there stood his pet shivering in every limb.

With a cry of joy she recognized her master and, while he was unfastening her halter, the grateful creature placed her nose against his face and gently rubbed his cheek. A moment later and the mare was hitched to the light road-wagon, the back door was thrown open, Fred sprang into the seat, and while the burning hay dropped down upon him in flakes, he drove forth into the hell of flame. There was a narrow alley with the buildings on fire on either side of it for him to drive through, and faster than Kittie ever went before went she through that gauntlet of flame. Once a tongue of flame reached across the alley and scorched poor Kittie's handsome mane and almost burned out one of her bright eyes, which were almost human in their expression; but Fred spoke gently to her, and with never a skip she went onward and onward across State Street, and no chance to return to the right nor left, with buildings blazing up in front, and death, with the double team, crowding him closely in the rear. Now Wabash Avenue was reached, and like lightning the little darling turned the corner and flew with the speed of thought southward along the broad thoroughfare, whose westward side was already one long row of flame. With a straight road before him, perfectly level, and laid with Nicolson pavement, Fred sent the mare along faster and faster. Away off toward Jackson Street he could see the black smoke and the red flames reaching across trying to seize upon the opposite side of the way, and should they succeed before he passed the spot, then all escape was impossible. "Gently, Kittie, gently!" They were the first words he had spoken for some time. "Now then, my little lady,"

and for the first time in all his life he touched her with the whip. The mare broke into a run and there was no stopping her. Like a thoroughbred she sped before the wind and almost in a trice she had cleared the fire and was still running desperately to the southward. Presently Blackmar succeeded in pulling her down to a trot, and finally she jogged along at a pace so slow no one would have supposed her the best little equine in Christendom. Fred wouldn't take thousands of dollars for her now; and when, a few days after the fire, he drove around on Ashland Avenue, and told another *her* of his escapade, handsome Kittie was petted and caressed by fair ladies until her owner was fain compelled to wish it possible a change of places might be effected between himself and his brown mare.—*Corr. N. Y. World.*

AMERICAN HORSES FOR JAPAN.

We see from a New Orleans dispatch that Japan proposes to buy one hundred thousand American horses. Very likely these horses will suffer as terribly as perhaps a hundred thousand of our American horses and mules did in the South African war.

THE HORSE-FLY.

The horse-fly is the most cruel and blood-thirsty of the entire family. He is armed with a most formidable weapon, which consists of four lancets, so sharp and strong that they will penetrate leather. He makes his appearance in June. The female is armed with *six lancets*, with which she bleeds both cattle and horses, and even human beings.—*Colman's Rural World.*

BETWEEN ONE AND TWO HUNDRED TOWNS.

Checks have thus far been sent to one hundred and eleven of the Massachusetts country towns which have accepted the twenty dollars given by our Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to aid in establishing drinking places for animals, to each of which shall be attached a drinking cup and chain for travellers, and on or near which shall be painted or inscribed the words "*Blessed are the merciful.*"

TO PREVENT STRIKES.

Our readers will remember the prize of two hundred dollars we offered last year in behalf of our American Humane Education Society for the best plan to prevent strikes, and how out of a large competition the committee, Edward H. Clement of the Boston Transcript, appointed by Governor Bates, and James J. Roche of the Boston Pilot, appointed by Mayor Patrick A. Collins, awarded the prize to the plan which urged the establishment of courts to try all disputes between capital and labor.

This plan has received the approval of various gentlemen most competent to judge, and we think the sooner it is carefully considered by both Congress and Legislatures, the better it will be both for our own country and the civilized world.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

SUPERANNUATED BISHOPS.

We have been thanked by several of our Methodist friends for what we have said about "*Superannuated Bishops.*"

We hope the time is not far distant when the great Methodist Episcopal Church will change the name to *Senior Bishops*, and decide that they shall always on public occasions receive the honor to which their advanced age and past services entitle them.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

ONE PRACTICAL WORKER.

(From the Animal Defender.)

If all school-teachers would imitate the example of one Boston teacher we know of how much brighter would the world become, and how cruelty would diminish! The teacher we have in mind is creating in her locality a sentiment of kindness and justice that is distinctly felt, through her humane education of her pupils. There is before us a photograph of a scene in her school-room, and on the blackboard, to be copied by the pupils, are these words: "*I belong to the Dorchester Band of Mercy. I will try to be kind to all living creatures, and try to protect them from cruel usage.*"

Does any one pretend to estimate the amount of good such work as this is doing?

SOCIETIES FOR THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

Some of our readers know that from 1877 to 1881 we did a vast deal of work and spent a good deal of money in endeavoring to protect public health, obtaining a congressional report (including about a hundred pages of manuscript evidence we had gathered), of most of which we sent about a hundred thousand copies over our country and the world.

The following are two of the letters confirming the facts we then stated and which still exist to a considerable extent:

CHICAGO, Oct. 21, 1879.

GEO. T. ANGELL, ESQ.:

Dear Sir, — Nothing is more clear to my mind than the immediate and pressing need, not only of national and state legislation, but also of protective health associations, to prevent the enormous sales in our markets of goods and other articles dangerous to public health. While I fully appreciate the necessity of additional laws, I must add that it is, in my judgment, absolutely impossible for public officers in this country to contend successfully with great financial interests unless sustained by active organizations of good and patriotic citizens.

OSCAR C. DE WOLF,
Commissioner of Health of Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15, 1879.

GEO. T. ANGELL, ESQ.:

Dear Sir, — From personal knowledge I can say that there is an enormous amount of dangerously adulterated foods and drinks and other poisonous and dangerous articles now sold in our markets; and I think this subject should receive the immediate attention of both the general government and state legislatures, and that boards of health and good citizens should at once take effective measures to stop this great and growing evil.

C. GILBERT WHEELER,
Professor of Chemistry in the University of Chicago,
and President of Chicago College of Pharmacy.

Notwithstanding all that has been done since the above letters were written there is probably no civilized country in the world where from want of arbitrary power in the government to properly deal with them, injurious and poisonous adulterations prevail as in ours, and none where societies for the protection of public health are so much needed.

BELLS OF THE ANGELUS.

Bells of the past whose forgotten music
Still fills the wide expanse,
Tingeing the sober twilight of the present
With color of romance.

I hear you call and see the sun descending
On rocks, and waves, and sand,
As down the coast the mission voices blending
Girdle the heathen land.

Within the circle of your incantation
No blight nor mildew falls;
Nor fierce unrest, nor lust, nor lost ambition
Passes those airy walls.

Borne on the swell of long waves, receding,
I touch the farthest past —
I see the dying glow of Spanish glory,
The sunset dream and fast!

Before me rise the dome-shaped mission towers,
The white presidio,
The swart commander in his leather jerkin,
The priest in robe of snow.

Once more I see Portala's cross uplifting
Above the setting sun,
And past the headland, northward, slowly drifting,
The frightened galleon.

O solemn bells! whose consecrated masses
Recall the faith of old —
O tinkling bells! that lulled with twilight music
The spiritual fold.

Your voices break, they falter in the darkness —
Break, falter and are still,
And veiled, and mystic, like the host descending,
The sun sinks from the hill.

BRET HARTE.

CONCLUDED TO SING.

A Maine minister, now settled in the west, tells a good story of his experience with a choir who had frequent quarrels. "One Sabbath they informed me that they would not sing a note until Brother —, one of their number, left the choir. I gave out as the opening hymn:

'Let those refuse to sing
Who never knew our God,
But children of the Heavenly King
Will speak their joys abroad.'

They sang, and I was never again troubled."

THE OLD AGE OF THE PROTESTANT CLERGYMAN.

We shall never forget a college oration we once heard on "*The Old Age of the Political Partizan.*"

But sad as that picture was, it is no more sad than is the old age of too many Protestant clergymen, who, when the lawyer and doctor are most sought after and receiving their largest fees, are left without parish or money, and sometimes almost without friends.

It is an outrageous wrong, which no religious denomination should ever permit.

The old age of the old clergyman should be made as comfortable and happy as his life has been self-sacrificing and useful.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

HE WASN'T ASHAMED.

A clerk and his country father entered a restaurant Saturday evening, and took seats at a table where sat a telegraph operator and a reporter. The old man bowed his head, and was about to say grace, when a waiter flew up, singing, "I have beefsteak, codfish balls, and bull-heads." Father and son gave their orders, and the former again bowed his head. The young man turned the color of a blood-red beet, and touching his father's arm, exclaimed, in a low, nervous tone: —

"Father, it isn't customary to do that in restaurants!"

"It's customary with me to return thanks to God wherever I am," said the old man.

For the third time he bowed his head, and his son bowed his head, and the telegraph operator paused in the act of carving his beefsteak and bowed his head, and the journalist pushed back his fish ball and bowed his head, and there wasn't a man who heard the short and simple prayer that didn't feel a profounder respect for the old farmer than if he had been President of the United States.

AND THE MEN SAT STILL.

An incident occurred on an afternoon train on the Consolidated Road that ought to have found its way into print before this. It has numerous lessons. Among the passengers were three sweet and quiet Sisters of Charity in their characteristic dress. A drunken man, very drunk and annoying, entered the car and sat down beside one of them. He talked persistently, drank from a big bottle that he carried, and finally stuck his disagreeable face repeatedly into the long bonnet of a Sister in a most insulting way. She was evidently much frightened. The conductor had already been told of the man's conduct, but did nothing. The other passengers, in true passenger fashion, sat and looked on. No man stirred.

Finally a woman, white as a sheet and full of suppressed indignation, got up from her seat and went to the rescue. She grabbed the fellow's bottle, wrested it from his hands and flung it out of the window, and then took hold of him, and after a lively and unassisted struggle got him out of the seat. "I'm no Roman Catholic," she said, excitedly, to the spectators, "but I will not sit still and see a Sister of Charity insulted."

Chicago Times.

SILVER.

We do not claim to be anything of a politician, or to know much more about the more complicated questions of finance than the cobbler whom the old Dutch governor of New York, Peter Stuyvesant, once found haranguing his fellow-citizens, and told that if he ever caught him again in that business he would flay him alive and tan his hide for drumheads, that he might thereafter make noise to some purpose.

But if attempts to make silver as good as gold were to result in paying all wages, debts, salaries, saving bank deposits, &c., &c., in a currency worth only about fifty cents on a dollar, it seems to us that a great many poor people and people in moderate circumstances would suffer.

Everybody who has anything to sell would of course double his prices.

The farmer would of course get nominally twice as much for his wheat and pay twice as much for everything he has to buy.

Butter would be sixty cents a pound instead of thirty; railroad fares and hotel bills twice as much as they now are and other things in proportion, and unless all wages and salaries throughout the entire country were also doubled, which would be a difficult thing to accomplish, people who depend on wages and salaries would, it seems to us, find a currency which requires two dollars to buy what is now bought for one—a mighty poor thing.

Doubtless we might make hard coal, horse shoes or fish-hooks a legal currency, but foreign nations would not care to take it, and we should find it somewhat difficult to carry about us daily a sufficient quantity to pay our daily bills.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

TO OUR AMERICAN CLERGY.

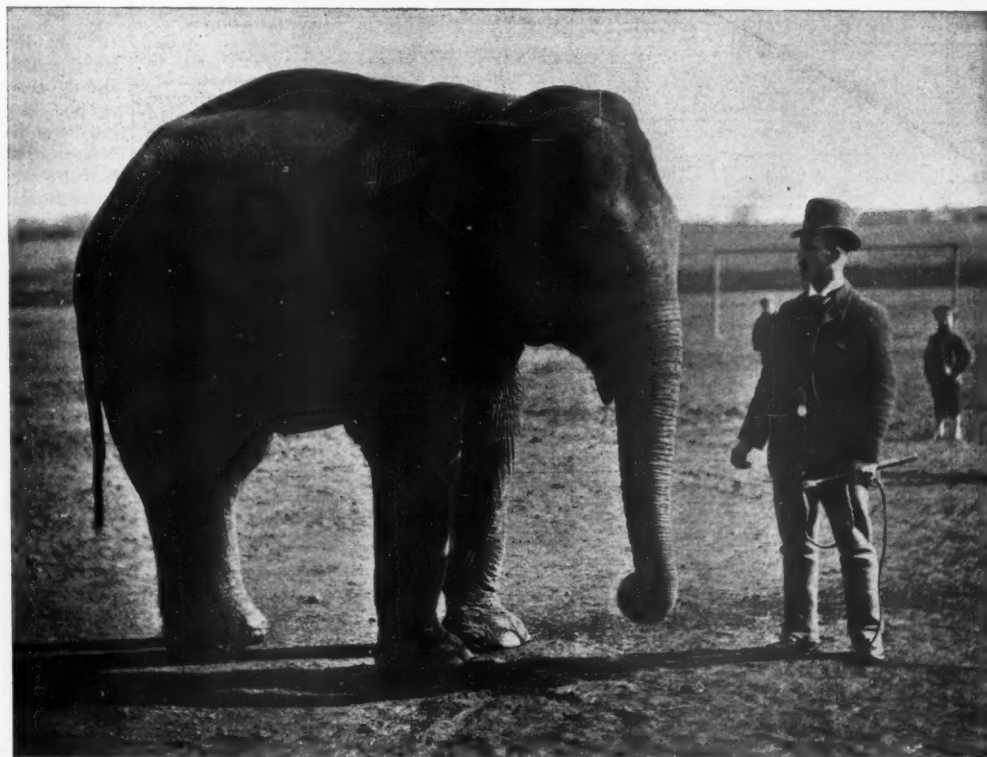
We have plans by which, through our American Humane Education Society, we hope to influence during the coming fall and winter large numbers of our American clergy, both Protestant and Catholic, to preach one or more sermons on "the relations of animals that can speak to those that are called dumb." GEO. T. ANGELL.

CARDINAL MANNING.

"Wherever our race has been profoundly penetrated with a belief in God—and there is no race, and no part of the world where this belief is more earnest than in Oriental countries—there do we find dumb animals treated with the most marked care and consideration."

CARDINAL MANNING, August, 1885.

He was fond of singing revival hymns, and his wife named the baby Fort so that he would want to hold it.



A POWERFUL BUT INTELLIGENT AND OBEDIENT SERVANT.

WHAT THE DOCTOR DID.

"You'd better ask the doctor for his bill next time he comes," said a poor, sick minister to his wife. "I don't know when we can pay it, I'm sure. He's made a good many visits, but I hope he won't have to come many times more."

The old doctor was a grim looking person, who said as little as possible, and spoke in the gruffest of tones; but he had kept his eyes, and was not half as unfeeling as he appeared.

At his next visit the minister's wife followed him out of the sick room and timidly preferred her request.

"Your bill?" said the doctor, glancing round the kitchen, then down at his boots.

"Yes, sir," said the woman. "Mr. Ames wanted me to ask you for it, though we can't pay it just now. We'll pay it as soon as—"

"Well, here it is," said the doctor. And he took out his pocket-book and handed the astonished woman a ten-dollar green-back, and was out-of-doors before she could say "thank you."

WHAT A BAND OF MERCY BOY DID.

Mr. Harvey was riding slowly along the dusty road, looking in all directions for a stream, or a house, where he might refresh his tired, thirsty horse with a good draught of water. While he was thinking and wondering, he turned an abrupt bend in the road, and saw before him a comfortable farmhouse; and at the same time a boy ten or twelve years old came out into the road with a pail and stood directly before him.

"What do you wish, my boy?" said Mr. Harvey, stopping his horse.

"Would your horse like a drink, sir?" said the boy, respectfully.

"Indeed he would, and I was wondering where I could get it."

Mr. Harvey thought little of it, supposing, of course, the boy earned a few pennies in this manner; and therefore he offered him a bit of silver, and was astonished when he refused it.

"I would like you to take it," he said, looking at the boy.

"No, I thank you," said the boy. "I don't want it. You see, sir, the distance from Painsville is eight miles and there is no stream crossing the road that distance, and I like to water the horses."

Mr. Harvey looked into the gray eyes that were kindling and glowing with the thought of doing good, and a moisture gathered in his own, as he jogged off pondering deeply on the quaint little sermon that had been given so innocently and unexpectedly.

THE ORCHARD ORIOLE.

A very pretty little story comes from Hartford, and it is true. A nest of the orchard oriole (improperly called the "English robin") was discovered by the owner of the lot, whose child wanted the young birds, and the child was duly gratified. The nest was taken home, to the delight of the child and the grief of the parent birds, and the fledglings were placed in a cage outside the house. To the surprise of the person who had put them there, he found, one day, that the mother-bird had discovered her lost children, and was feeding them through the wires of the cage. This proof of parental affection in a bird was continued, till at length the person who had removed the nest from its place and put it in the cage was moved to restore it to its place on the tree, with the young birds in it. The unbounded delight of the old birds proved a full compensation for the sense of his—or, rather his child's—loss, by the restoration of the young birds to their mother.

OUR DUMB ANIMALS.

Boston, August, 1904.

ARTICLES for this paper may be sent to
GEO. T. ANGELL, President, 19 Milk St.

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Persons wishing *Our Dumb Animals* for gratuitous distribution only can send us five cents to pay postage, and receive ten copies, or ten cents and receive twenty copies. We cannot afford larger numbers at this price.

TEACHERS AND CANVASSERS.

Teachers can have *Our Dumb Animals* one year for twenty-five cents.

Persons wishing to canvass for the paper will please make application to this office.

Our American Humane Education Society sends this paper this month to the editors of over twenty thousand newspapers and magazines.

OUR AMBULANCE

Can be had at any hour of the day or night by calling Telephone 992 Tremont.

Horse owners are expected to pay reasonable charges for its use, but in emergency cases where they are unable to do so the ambulance will be sent at the expense of the Society, but only upon an owner's order, or upon that of a police officer or Society agent.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND REMITTANCES.

We would respectfully ask all persons who send us subscriptions or remittances to examine our report of receipts, which is published in each number of our paper, and if they do not find the sums they have sent properly credited, kindly notify us.

If correspondents fail to get satisfactory answers please write again, and on the envelope put the word "Personal."

My correspondence is now so large that I can read only a small part of the letters received, and seldom long ones.
GEO. T. ANGELL.

We are glad to report this month one hundred and seventy-four new branches of our Parent Band of Mercy, making a total of fifty-eight thousand nine hundred and eighty-three.



NEW BAND OF MERCY BADGES.

There having been a wide call for cheaper Band of Mercy badges, we have succeeded in adding to the kinds we have been using a new badge in the two sizes above represented. They are very handsome—a white star on a blue ground, with gilt letters, and we sell them at bare cost, five for ten cents, in money or postage stamps, or larger numbers at same price. We cannot attend to smaller orders than five.

THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY.

At the July meeting of directors of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the American Humane Education Society, held on the 20th ult., Vice-President Hill reported that since last month's meeting aid toward establishing drinking fountains or watering troughs had been sent to many Massachusetts towns, 111 of those that have accepted our offer having thus far been aided. 2302 animals had been examined in the investigation of complaints during the month, 126 horses taken from work and 86 horses and other animals humanely killed.

174 new "Bands of Mercy" were formed, making the present total 58,183.

Two hundred handsomely bound volumes of "*Our Dumb Animals*" and about two thousand copies of the same have been sent to nearly twelve hundred summer hotels for the use of guests.

OUR EYES.

Our oculist says we have been using our eyes too much and must stop it. So if any of our readers find any mistakes in *Our Dumb Animals*, they will please blame the eyes of our Secretary and not ours.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

FUNDS ARE NEEDED.

Funds are needed to make a grand success of the great International Peace Congress to be held in Boston in October.

We have sent our personal contribution to Messrs. Lee, Higginson & Co., 44 State St., and we hope that every one else who will be glad to stop wars and promote peace on earth, both to human beings and dumb animals, will do the same.

OUR "HUMANE BUILDING."

It is suggested that our proposed new building shall be named "*The Humane Building*"—that in the most prominent part of it shall be the names and faces of its givers and the objects for which it is erected: "*Glory to God, Peace on Earth, Kindness, Justice and Mercy to Every Living Creature.*"

WE HAVE LOST A FRIEND.

We regret much to announce the death of Miss E. A. P. Henshaw, of Leicester, one of the kindest friends both to human beings and all dumb creatures.

OUR WAR SONGS.

We have before us from Moline, Ill., a very severe attack upon our American war songs, [including the "Battle Hymn of the Republic,"] which nearly all the youth in our schools are taught to sing. Of course these songs help wonderfully to build up a war spirit.

What is wanted for the promotion of humanity is songs which shall tend to destroy the war spirit and promote peace on earth and good will to all creatures.

Landlady (of fashionable boarding-house to applicant): "Have you children, madam?" Applicant: "No; I had a little boy but he died last summer." Landlady: "How fortunate, for we never take children."—*Life*.

DOCKING.

"The operation is needless, painful and cruel, causing the animal much suffering, and depriving it of its only means of defence against flies and insects. In my opinion no language too strong can be employed condemning this cruel operation.—DR. SAMUEL K. JOHNSON, Chief Surgeon New York Veterinary Hospital.

CHRISTIAN BARBARISM.

The offering of prizes at agricultural fairs for the yokes of oxen drawing the heaviest loads, with the accompanying whipping, yelling and strain on the unfortunate animals, is almost as barbarous as the Spanish and Mexican bull-fights and ought to be denounced by every humane man, whether he claims to be a Christian or not.

FROM ADDRESS BEFORE THE SOUTHERN EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AT COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA, DEC. 19, 1901.

By PROF. WALTER LE CONTE STEVENS.

"For strenuous earthly philosophers incapable of becoming excited, or for heavenly angels in quest of war, football is an ideal game. But no representatives of these two classes are thus far known to have tried it. With ordinary human beings as contestants its objectionable features have become so well known that to recount them is only telling an oft told tale.

"The element of savagery in human nature that makes cruelly the pastime of the small boy remains latent throughout life among perhaps the majority of men. The knowledge that blood may be shed, that danger to life or limb must be incurred, has an indescribable charm for the spectators at the football field. There is then a widespread and enthusiastic demand for football because it is dangerous; because it is war, even though on a small scale. One of the best known medical journals, *The London Lancet*, chronicled twenty-three deaths due to football in England during the year 1892, and twenty-eight in 1893. The number of casualties that escaped notice is not known, but 109 were serious enough to require hospital treatment.

"In comparing football with other sources of danger we are not concerned so much with the absolute number of casualties as with the ratio of casualties to participants. At West Point in 1893 of the eighty cases nine were due to the gymnasium, seventeen to riding, fifty-four to football, or six times as many to football as to the gymnasium. Of the days lost from scholastic duty, 277 to football, or twenty-five times as many to football as to the gymnasium."

SURE PROTECTION FROM MOSQUITOES.

Mr. L. O. Howard, United States entomologist, has devised and experimented with a method which has proved to have much practical usefulness—namely, to pour oil on the surface of waters that propagate mosquitoes. A small quantity of kerosene employed in this manner will go a long way. If there is a stagnant pond or overflowed marsh in your vicinity, you cannot invest money more profitably this summer than to buy some kerosene and apply it. The process is very simple, the oil spreading itself far and wide in an extremely thin film. Five gallons will cover 10,000 square feet. A single application will suffice for the season, and will absolutely prevent the production of mosquitoes over the area treated. The coating of oil quickly suffocates and kills all wrigglers.

Toads are so useful in gardens that they are sold in France by the dozen for the purpose of stocking gardens to free them from many injurious insects. The toad lives almost entirely on winged insects, and never does harm to plants.



Founders of American Band of Mercy.
GEO. T. ANGELL and REV. THOMAS TIMMINS.

Office of Parent American Band of Mercy.
GEO. T. ANGELL, President; JOSEPH L. STEVENS,
Secretary.
A. JUDSON LEACH, State Organizer.

Over fifty-nine thousand branches of the Parent American Band of Mercy have been formed, with probably over two million members.

PLEDGE.

"I will try to be kind to all harmless living creatures, and try to protect them from cruel usage."

Any Band of Mercy member who wishes can cross out the word *harmless* from his or her pledge. M. S. P. C. A. on our badges means "Merciful Society Prevention of Cruelty to All."

We send *without cost*, to every person asking, a copy of "Band of Mercy Information" and other publications.

Also *without cost*, to every person who forms a "Band of Mercy," obtaining the signatures of thirty adults or children or both to the pledge, and sends us the name chosen for the "band" and the name and post-office address [town and state] of the president who has been duly elected:

1. Our monthly paper, "OUR DUMB ANIMALS," full of interesting stories and pictures, for one year.
2. Mr. Angell's Address to the High, Latin, Normal and Grammar Schools of Boston.
3. Copy of Band of Mercy Songs.
4. Twelve Lessons on Kindness to Animals, containing many anecdotes.
5. Eight Humane Leaflets, containing pictures and one hundred selected stories and poems.
6. For the President, an imitation gold badge.

The head officers of Juvenile Temperance Associations and teachers and Sunday-school teachers, should be presidents of Bands of Mercy.

Nothing is required to be a member but to sign the pledge, or authorize it to be signed. Any intelligent boy or girl fourteen years old can form a Band with no cost, and receive what we offer, as before stated.

The prices for badges, gold or silver imitation, are eight cents large, five cents small; ribbon, gold stamped, eight cents, ink printed, four cents; song and hymn books, with fifty-two songs and hymns, two cents; cards of membership, two cents; and membership book, eight cents. The "Twelve Lessons on Kindness to Animals" cost only two cents for the whole, bound together in one pamphlet. The Humane Leaflets cost twenty-five cents a hundred, or eight for five cents.

Everybody, old and young, who wants to do a kind act, to make the world happier and better, is invited to address, by letter or postal, GEO. T. ANGELL, Esq., President, 19 Milk Street, Boston, Mass., and receive full information.

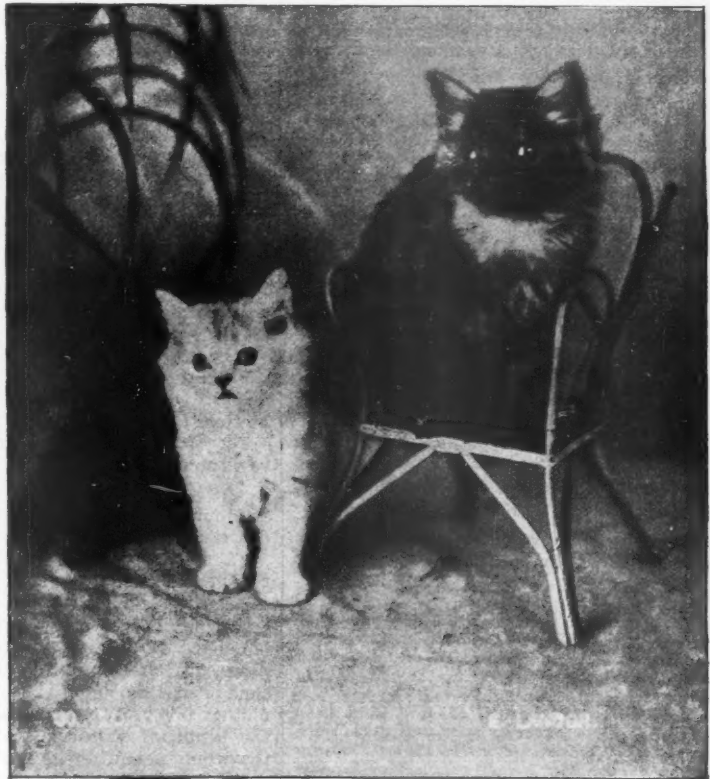
Good Order of Exercises for Band of Mercy Meetings.

- 1.—Sing Band of Mercy song or hymn, and repeat the Pledge together. [See Melodias.]
- 2.—Remarks by President, and reading of Report of last meeting by Secretary.
- 3.—Readings. "Angell Prize Contest Recitations," "Memory Gems," and anecdotes of good and noble sayings and deeds done to both human and dumb creatures, with vocal and instrumental music.
- 4.—Sing Band of Mercy song or hymn.
- 5.—A brief address. Members may then tell what they have done to make human and dumb creatures happier and better.
- 6.—Enrollment of new members.
- 7.—Sing Band of Mercy song or hymn.

TO HUMANELY KILL KITTENS.

It is a melancholy fact that many kittens born into this world must, in the interests of humanity, be killed, and the question is how it can be done most humanely. It is said by persons who have narrowly escaped drowning that their sensations were not painful. I am inclined to think that putting kittens in an ordinary flower-pot, and then plunging it upside down in a pail or tub of water, is about as humane a method as can be found. The air escapes through the hole in the bottom (or rather the top) of the flower-pot, and it instantly fills with water.

GEO. T. ANGELL.



By courtesy of the Perry Pictures Co.

COME YE INTO THE SUMMER WOODS.

Come ye into the summer woods,
There entereth no annoy,
The leaf is green and sparkling,
"And the earth is full of joy."

There come the little gentle birds
Without a fear of ill,
Down to the murmuring water's edge
And freely drink their fill;

And dash about and splash about,
The merry little things!
And look askance, with bright black eyes,
And flit their dripping wings.

The nodding plants they bow their heads,
As if, in heartsome cheer,
We said unto those little things,
"Tis merry living here."

IN OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We very much doubt whether, in half our Sunday-schools, one word is ever said from a year's beginning to its end about kindness to God's lower creatures.

Many year's ago we journeyed, at our own personal expense, to a great National Religious Convention at Saratoga Springs, and asked permission to speak a few words for those who could not speak for themselves.

The committee to whom the petition was referred reported that they could not give us the time.

But then arose the greatest man in that great convention, and said: "Mr. Chairman, I do not think that we as a denomination can quite afford to give a cold shoulder to this great advance moral movement of the day. I move you, sir, that the gentleman have the privilege of addressing this convention."

The vote passed unanimously. We addressed the convention, distributed thou-

sands of our publications, and were promptly invited to speak in various pulpits.

Is not the time coming before long, when all our Christian churches, and Sunday-schools, and Christian Endeavorers, and Epworth Leagues, shall say: "We do not think that we can quite afford to give a cold shoulder to this great advance moral movement of the day?"

GEO. T. ANGELL.

"How can I teach your children gentleness,
And mercy to the weak, and reverence
For life, which, in its weakness or excess,
Is still a gleam of God's omnipotence,
When by your laws, your actions and your
speech

You contradict the very things I teach."

LONGFELLOW.

KILLING BUTTERFLIES.

Stopping at the seashore we saw a number of interesting little children gathering butterflies, grasshoppers and other varieties of insects, and fastening them with pins to the side of the hotel, where the poor creatures were writhing and struggling to escape. It was not the fault of the children. They were very young and knew no better. They did not once dream of the suffering endured by these insects, and on being told of it all assented to their being at once killed, and cheerfully stopped further pursuit of them. But it was your fault, fathers and mothers of those children, and one for which God holds you accountable. If you neglect your duties to your children in that period of life when the moulding of their characters is in your hands, and they grow up more and more merciless, until in your old age you reap the harvest you have sown, you have no one to blame but yourselves.

We have been told of several instances in which Sunday-school children have caught butterflies and pinned them onto their dresses. "Bands of Mercy" in our Sunday-schools would stop this cruelty.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

ANGELL PRIZE CONTESTS.

A splendid way to raise money in schools, churches, Sunday-schools, or elsewhere for any object preferred.

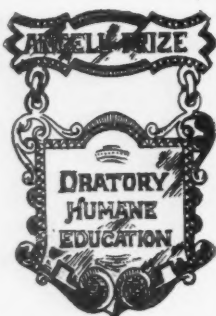
ANGELL PRIZE CONTESTS IN HUMANE SPEAKING.

We have beautiful sterling silver medals, of which this cut shows the size and face inscriptions.

On the back is inscribed, "The American Humane Education Society."

We sell them at one dollar each, which is just what we pay for them by the hundred.

Each is in a box on red velvet, and we make no charge for postage when sent by mail.



The plan is this: Some large church or public hall is secured, several schools, Sunday-schools, granges or other societies are invited to send their best speaker or reciter to compete for the prize medal; some prominent citizen presides; other prominent citizens act as the committee of award, and a small admission fee, ten or twenty cents, pays all the costs, and leaves a handsome balance for the local humane society or "Band of Mercy," or school or Sunday-school or church or library or any other object preferred.

"BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL."

We have in our principal office [in a large frame and conspicuous position] the names of those who have kindly remembered our two Societies in their wills.

When we get a building we intend to have them so engraved in it as to last through the centuries.

PRIZES \$650.

In behalf of The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals I do hereby offer (1) \$100 for evidence which shall enable the Society to convict any man in Massachusetts of cruelty in the practice of vivisection.

(2) \$25 for evidence to convict of violating the recently-enacted law of Massachusetts against vivisections and dissections in our public schools.

(3) \$100 for evidence to convict any member of the Myopia, Hingham, Dedham, Harvard or Country Clubs, of a criminal violation of law by causing his horse to be mutilated for life.

(4) \$25 for evidence to convict anyone in Massachusetts of a violation of law by causing any horse to be mutilated for life by docking.

(5) Twenty prizes of \$10 each, and forty prizes of \$5 each, for evidence to convict of violating the laws of Massachusetts by killing any insect-eating bird or taking eggs from its nest.

GEO. T. ANGELL, President.

Our creed and the creed of our "American Humane Education Society," as appears on its battle-flags—its badges—and its official seal, is "Glory to God," "Peace on Earth," "Kindness, Justice and Mercy to every living creature."

If there were no birds man could not live on the earth.

OUR PRIZE STORY PRICES.

Black Beauty, in paper covers, 6 cents at office, or 10 cents mailed; cloth bound, 25 cents each at office, or 30 cents mailed.

Hollyhust, Strike at Shane's, Four Months in New Hampshire, also *Mr. Angell's Autobiography*, in paper covers, 6 cents each at office, or 10 cents mailed; cloth bound, 20 cents each at office, or 25 cents mailed.

Some of New York's "400," in paper covers, 10 cents each; cloth bound, 25 cents, or 30 cents mailed.

For Fity's Sake, in paper covers, 10 cents mailed; cloth bound, 60 cents at office, or 70 cents mailed.

Beautiful Joe at publishers' price, 50 cents at office, or 62 cents mailed. Cheaper edition, 25 cents; mailed, 30 cents. Both editions cloth bound.

Postage stamps are acceptable for all remittances.

Canon Rowsley, on Saint Martin's, after describing good Saint Martin, added:

"Some of you, my friends, followers of the gentle Christ, come to worship, nay, come to the Supper of our Lord, wearing 'egret' plumes or 'ospreys' in your hats and bonnets. Do you realize that this 'egret' plume grows on the bird's back only at the time of nesting, and that to obtain one such feather involves the cruel death not only of the beautiful white mother heron, but of the whole nestful of its nearly-fledged offspring? What a price to pay for the pleasure of an egret plume! What a travesty of religion to be able to come into church decked with an egret feather and sing in the words of the Benedicite: 'O all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord! praise Him and magnify Him forever!' What a mockery to kneel at Holy Communion, take the soldier's oath of allegiance unto the Lord—that gentle Lord of all compassion and mercy, that Lord who said 'Consider the fowls of the air!' who told us that not a sparrow falls to the earth unregarded by the Heavenly Father!"

"The Humane Horse Book," compiled by George T. Angell, is a work which should be read by every man, woman and child in the country. Price, 5 cents.—*Boston Courier*.

Nations, like individuals, are powerful in the degree that they command the sympathies of their neighbors.

In hiring a herdic, coupe, or other carriage never forget to look at the horses and hire those that look the best and have no docked tails. When we take a herdic we pick out one drawn by a good horse, tell the driver not to hurry, but take it easy, and give him five or ten cents over his fare for being kind to his horse. We never ride behind a dock-tailed horse.

Send for prize essays published by Our American Humane Education Society on the best plan of settling the difficulties between capital and labor, and receive a copy without charge.

Always kill a wounded bird or other animal as soon as you can. All suffering of any creature, just before it dies, poisons the meat.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

Every kind word you say to a dumb animal or bird will make you happier.

SONGS OF HAPPY LIFE, &c.

For prices of Miss S. J. Eddy's new book, above named, and a variety of humane publications, address, "Humane Education Committee, No. 61 Westminster Street, Providence, R. I."

One thing we must never forget, namely: that the infinitely most important work for us is the humane education of the millions who are soon to come on the stage of action.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

What do you consider, Mr. Angell, the most important work you do?

Answer. Talking each month to the editors of every newspaper and magazine in North America north of Mexico, who in their turn talk to probably over sixty millions of readers.

"Just so soon and so far as we pour into all our schools the songs, poems and literature of mercy towards these lower creatures, JUST SO SOON AND SO FAR SHALL WE REACH THE ROOTS NOT ONLY OF CRUELTY BUT OF CRIME."

GEO. T. ANGELL.

Refuse to ride in any cab, herdic or carriage drawn by a docked horse, and tell the driver why.

FOR FREE DISTRIBUTION.

To those who will have them properly posted we send:

- (1.) Placards for the protection of birds under our Massachusetts laws.
- (2.) Placards for the protection of horses everywhere from docking and tight check-reins.

WHAT A DOCKED HORSE TELLS.

- (1.) That the owner does not care one straw for the suffering of dumb animals.
- (2.) That the owner does not care one straw for the good opinion of nine-tenths of his fellow-citizens who witness the effects of his cruelty.

Every unkind treatment to the cow poisons the milk—even talking unkindly to her.

Is it cruel to keep a horse locked up in a stable without exercise?

Answer: Just as cruel as it would be to keep a boy, or girl, or man, or woman in the same condition. If to this is added solitary confinement without the company of other animals, then the cruelty is still greater.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

WORTH REMEMBERING.

- (1.) Avoid as far as possible drinking any water which has been contaminated by lead pipes or lead lined tanks.
- (2.) Avoid drinking water which has been run through galvanized iron pipes.
- (3.) Avoid using anything acid which has been kept in a tin can.
- (4.) When grippe or other epidemics are prevailing wear a little crude sulphur in your boots or shoes.

DOG SAVES TEN LIVES AND DIES.

"Jack," the well-known watch dog of Druggist Herbert E. Bowman of Magoun Square, Somerville, rendered yeoman service between 12:30 and 1 o'clock yesterday morning, before he was suffocated by the smoke of a fire in his master's store.

The fire resulted from spontaneous combustion.

In the tenements above the store live ten persons, divided between the families of J. T. Bliss and H. D. Farnum. The elder members of the families were first awakened and warned of the fire underneath them by the terrific barking of "Jack." The people were thereby enabled to get out of their apartments before the smoke had made its way through the floors. "Jack" continued to bark until overcome by the smoke. His body was found on the floor near the door.—*Boston Herald.*

DOG RETURNS TO OLD HOME, DISTANCE OF 600 MILES.

Special Dispatch to the World-Herald.

BEATRICE, NEB., May 12.—Several months ago Horace Scudder removed to Colorado, taking his bird dog, Duke, with him.

Several weeks ago the dog disappeared from Colorado, and yesterday came into the Paddock hotel lobby, barely able to walk.

The dog had evidently become dissatisfied with his new home, and made his way back to Beatrice, a distance of over 600 miles.

OVER THE ALPS LIES ITALY.

"Over the Alps lies Italy!"

Thus spake the warrior in days of old,
Checked by those mountains whose hoary heads
Of the centuries' wars with the elements told.

Little he recked of the danger or fear
That hidden in glacier or pass might be;
Boldly his voice rang out, and clear—
"Over the Alps lies Italy!"

Deep is the meaning those few words hold,
Deeper than careless eyes may see,
Cheering us onward, whate'er betide—
"Over the Alps lies Italy!"

Youth reads the words and bright eyes flash,
Thinking of all the future brings;
All heart can wish for of honor and fame,
Of love and joy and earth's beautiful things.

Oh, the world is fair and life is sweet,
And deep in youth's heart is a wordless glee;
But his spirit leaps forward, the future to greet—
"Over the Alps lies Italy!"

Manhood comes on as years depart;
Heavier cares now oppress the soul,
The work of the world must be done each day,
And all too swiftly the seasons roll.

Poet and painter, merchant and priest,
Nobles and men of low degree,
They strive and they struggle, from greatest to least—
For *"Over the Alps lies Italy."*

God grant for us all, when the time shall come
That our weak hands drop the burdens they bear,
When the words we have spoken, the deeds we have done,
Are remembered only as things of yore;

That when we shall enter that new, strange sphere
Where no thought of time or of change shall be,
We may find all we labored and longed for here—
Over death's Alps our Italy.

ELEANOR JENKINS.

SLEEPING-CARS FOR WOMEN.

Very few ladies like to travel in sleeping-cars. There is such an utter lack of privacy and of the ordinary accommodations for the toilet that ladies require in the sleeping-cars that they prefer to travel in the daytime. *Fame and fortune lie in the path of the railroad management that will build sleepers that will give to ladies the privacy and comforts in traveling they desire and deserve.*

WORTH REMEMBERING.

If a person falls in a fit let him remain on the ground, provided his face be pale; for should it be fainting or temporary suspension of the heart's action you may cause death by raising him upright. Do not bleed him, as that would be fatal. But if the face be red or dark colored, raise him on his seat, throw cold water on his head immediately, and send for a surgeon and get a vein opened, or fatal pressure on the brain may ensue.



SPARE THE BIRDS!

THE SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS.

BY MISS ELIZABETH FREELAND.

O God! that thou wouldst touch my tongue
With fervor so divine
That ev'ry heart might feel my words
As they were words of Thine.

O Thou that know'st all human hearts,
Know'st all they have or need,
I pray Thee make them tender,
And give me power to plead!

Thou know'st the little birds, O Lord,
The birds that Thou hast made;
Thou see'st them singing in the sun,
And brooding in the shade.

The bonny, bonny little birds!
It is their hour of need;
They have no power to beg for life;
It is for them I plead.

The human cry to God is still
For mercy, mercy solely;
The birds sing only, "God be praised,"
And "Holy, holy, holy."

They have no power to cry to us
When pride or fashion slays them
For woman, who pretends to love,
And, Judas-like, betrays them—

For woman, who will praise the song,
Then bid them slay the singer,
That the wee head or tortured breast
Some added charm may bring her.

Could ye but see the bright wings torn
From birds alive and bleeding,
And note their quivering agony,
I had no need for pleading.

The wingless form flung in the dirt,
Its deathly pain and terror,
Would wake in every woman's heart
A bitter sense of error.

Ten thousand thousand little birds,
In cruel hands a-dying,
Have heard, with breaking mother hearts,
Their hungry nestlings crying.

The bonny, bonny little birds!
It is their hour of need;
They have no power to beg for life;
It is for them I plead.

IN THE SWEET BY-AND-BY.

Two teamsters came into collision in the street with their vehicles the other day.

First teamster—"My dear sir, I'm very sorry for this accident. Will you kindly excuse me?"

Second teamster—"Pray do not mention it, my dear sir, the fault was as much mine as yours."

After getting their carts clear of each other they bowed politely, and with a pleasant "good day" proceeded about their business.—*Exchange.*

ARMED SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We cannot help profoundly regretting the efforts being made to turn some of our denominational Sunday-schools into military camps.

We would a thousand times prefer that they should, like "The Salvation Army," fight only with spiritual weapons or join the great army of our "Bands of Mercy," whose mottoes are, "Glory to God, Peace on Earth, Kindness, Justice and Mercy to every living creature."

War is a terrible thing for both horses and men, and we can hardly believe that if Christ were now on earth he would direct his followers to arm their Sunday-schools and cause them to be drilled in U. S. army tactics. "War is hell," said General Sherman, and he knew all about it.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

ARMED CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS.

Why not?

If it is a good thing for Sunday-schools, why not for Christian Endeavorers?

Think of a million of Christian Endeavorers—while endeavorers and colored—armed with rifles, bayonets, swords, cannon and gatling guns—and a great Christian Endeavor Navy of ironclads, rams, and torpedoes.

What a power they could bring to convert the heathen to a knowledge of Christianity!

If it is a good thing for the Sunday-schools, why not for Christian Endeavorers?

GEO. T. ANGELL.

SPIRITUALLY-MINDED.

A good lady tells us of a very spiritually-minded clergyman whose summer vacation amusement is shooting birds at his stopping-place at the seashore.

We would suggest that to the picture of the dove in the illuminated window back of his pulpit should be added the picture of himself with shotgun at his shoulder just taking aim to shoot the dove.

"Not a sparrow falls to the ground without His notice."

THE FAMILY CIRCLE.

A countryman and his bride applied at the box-office for tickets. "Orchestra-chair, parquette, or family circle?" asked the ticket-seller. "Which'll it be, Maria?" asked the groom. "Well," she replied, with a blush, "as we're married now, p'rhaps it would be proper to sit in the family circle."

Nashville American.

WHAT IS THE OBJECT OF
THE BANDS OF MERCY?

I answer: To teach and lead every

child and older person to seize
every opportunity to say a kind
word or do a kind act that willmake some other human being or
some dumb creature happier.

GEO. T. ANGELL.

New Bands of Mercy.

- 58374 *Providence, R. I.*
Willing Workers Band.
P., Lila S. Johnson.
- 58375 Kind Little Helpers Band.
P., Mande E. Perrin.
- 58376 Kind Boys and Girls Band.
P., Nellie C. Beal.
- 58377 East Manning St. School Bands.
Be Kind to All.
P., Ellen M. Hopkins.
- 58378 Little Helpers.
P., Josephine Dillon.
- 58379 Golden Rule.
P., Annie F. Bartlett.
- 58380 Kind Helpers.
P., M. Eliza Hurley.
- 58381 Ives St. School Bands.
Golden Rule.
P., Theresa G. Furlong.
- 58382 Ready Helpers.
P., M. Emily Cushing.
- 58383 Loving Service.
P., Pauline E. Tingley.
- 58384 Kind Helpers.
P., Katharine M. Dwyer.
- 58385 Amherst St. School Bands.
Willing Workers.
P., Louise M. Corcoran.
- 58386 Golden Rule.
P., Mabel E. Jordan.
- 58387 Kind Helpers.
P., Lucy E. Gannon.
- 58388 Little Helpers.
P., Lucy E. Gannon.
- 58389 Covell St. School Bands.
Golden Rule.
P., Minnie W. Mason.
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P., Edith E. Heyworth.
- 58391 Good Will Workers.
P., Mary M. McKenna.
- 58392 Willing Workers.
P., C. J. Crowell.
- 58393 Harris Ave. School Bands.
Golden Rule.
P., Ida E. Mather.
- 58394 Kind Boys and Girls.
P., Ida E. Mather.
- 58395 Kind Helpers.
P., Helen E. Essex.
- 58396 Happy Workers.
P., Genevieve Darcy.
- 58397 Courtland St. School Bds.
Kind Helpers.
P., Florence M. Kennon.
- 58398 Sunshine.
P., Harriet N. Lovett.
- 58399 Sunbeam.
P., Margaret E. Tally.
- 58400 Kind Little Helpers.
P., Helen E. Sullivan.
- 58401 Manton Ave. Grammar School Bands.
Loyal Protectors.
P., Avis A. Hawkins.
- 58402 Loyal Defenders.
P., Annie F. Emmons.
- 58403 Golden Rule.
P., Emily M. Corcoran.
- 58404 Sunshine.
P., Emma F. Manchester.
- 58405 Kind Little Helpers.
P., Alice M. Robinson.
- 58406 Daniel Ave. School Bands.
Golden Rule.
P., Mary I. Grant.
- 58407 Kind Little Helpers.
P., Florence E. Chase.
- 58408 Willing Workers.
P., Alice G. Brady.
- 58409 Kind Helpers.
P., Lizzie L. Gurry.
- 58410 Benefit St. School Bands.
Golden Rule.
P., Della S. Freeman.
- 58411 Kind Helpers.
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- 58412 Sunbeam.
P., Sarah E. Walker.
- 58413 Willing Workers.
P., Helen M. Greene.
- 58414 Kind Hearts.
P., Marion A. Puffer.
- 58415 Kind Little Helpers.
P., M. Stone.
- 58416 Kind Friends of Dumb Animals.
P., C. F. Doran.
- 58417 Loyal Protectors.
P., M. T. Gardner.
- 58418 Helping Hand.
P., K. M. Murray.
- 58419 Kind Deeds.
P., A. P. Burdick.
- 58420 Loyal Friends of Dumb Animals.
P., K. C. Walsh.
- 58421 State St. School Bands.
Golden Rule.
P., Helen A. Reynolds.
- 58422 Kind Boys and Girls.
P., Mary J. Gorman.
- 58423 Kind Little Helpers.
P., Mary A. M. Peirce.
- 58424 Sunshine.
P., Mary G. Tasker.
- 58425 California Ave. School Bands.
Sunshine.
P., Belle M. Rich.
- 58426 I'll Try.
P., Helen M. White.
- 58427 Little Helpers.
P., Adelaide A. Wheeler.
- 58428 Kind Helpers.
P., Annie T. Wood.
- 58429 Thayer St. Gram. School Bands.
Protectors of the Helpless.
P., Ellen L. Brown.
- 58430 Volunteer.
P., Mary Williams.
- 58431 Look Out.
P., Clara M. Polk.
- 58432 Wide Awake.
P., Mary A. Helme.
- 58433 Florence Nightingale.
P., C. K. Clarke.
- 58434 Golden Rule.
P., Teacher of Room 8.
- 58435 Loyal Protectors.
P., Eleanor H. Rhodes.
- 58436 Vigilant.
P., L. A. Dwyer.
- 58437 Landseer.
P., Helen H. Huntsman.
- 58438 Faithful.
P., Ellen P. Froberg.
- 58439 Rosa Bonheur.
P., Helen J. Hurley.
- 58440 Brigham St. Gram. School Bands.
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P., Lydia S. Durfee.
- 58441 Div. 2.
P., Lucy M. Beane.
- 58442 Div. 3.
P., Harriet A. Swan.
- 58443 Div. 4.
P., Caroline A. Vaughn.
- 58444 Div. 5.
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- 58445 Div. 6.
P., Flora D. Spink.
- 58446 Div. 7.
P., Ida M. Thomas.
- 58447 Div. 8.
P., Jennie L. Tobey.
- 58448 Div. 9.
P., Mary A. Cummings.
- 58449 Div. 10.
P., May A. Taylor.
- 58450 Div. 11.
P., Alice E. Wright.
- 58451 Messer St. Gram. School Bands.
Messer Humane Society, Chapter I.
P., Laura I. French.
- 58452 Messer Humane Society, Chapter II.
P., Marion A. Place.
- 58453 Helpers of the Helpless.
P., A. S. Watson.
- 58454 Defenders of the Defenceless.
P., Frances E. Watts.
- 58455 Golden Rule League.
P., C. F. Cowing.
- 58456 Loyal Protectors.
P., Cassandra M. Pierce.
- 58457 Defenders of the Defenceless.
P., A. L. Ring.
- 58458 Good Samaritan.
P., I. V. Parmenter.
- 58459 Animals Friends.
P., Sarah L. Sweet.
- 58460 Roger Williams.
P., Flora E. Angell.
- 58461 Golden Rule.
P., Gertrude I. Stetson.
- 58462 Loyal Protectors.
P., E. Gertrude Lyon.
- 58463 Faithful.
P., M. E. McMurrough.
- 58464 *Worcester, Mass.*
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OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.

OUR EDITORIALS.

Oliver Wendell Holmes is credited with saying there are two classes of people in the world. One who go ahead and do something, and another who are always complaining that it is not done in a different way.

Among the latter is a much younger man who thinks it wrong for us to sign so many of our editorials.

Our experience has been that the name of a writer often makes considerable difference in regard to the reading, quoting, and weight given to what he writes, and if the name of a writer in any department is [through his writings or otherwise] widely known his articles are much more likely to be republished and commented upon than if written by one previously unheard of.

Through the wise or unwise management of this paper it has come about that there is hardly a newspaper office in America, from Mexico to the North Pole, where the names of "Our Dumb Animals" and its editor are not well known.

Some time since we received from a New York humane worker a request to publish in "Our Dumb Animals" what we wrote him should be more properly published in another paper. He replied, that so far as the chances of its ever being read by anybody were concerned he might as well send it to a paper in Hong Kong, China, as to the paper in question.

The editor of that paper, we understand, thinks it a mark of advanced age that we sign our editorials.

We fully agree with him.

Perhaps when he is older and has written as many editorials as we have, and received, possibly, thousands of papers from different parts of our country in which they have been published or quoted — when abandoning his profession he has given to our cause thousands of dollars and a quarter of a century of hard work, from Maine to New Orleans, one way, and from Maine to Dakota, another — when he has, during sixty-one days, addressed the public schools of his own city — when he has printed in a single year more than a hundred and seventeen millions of pages of humane literature, and caused to be established all over our own country and elsewhere nearly sixty thousand "Bands of Mercy" — when he has offered all the college students of America prizes for best essays on the importance of humane education, supplied their college libraries with bound volumes of his publications, and some seventy thousand copies of humane information for general distribution — when he has offered to all the editors of America a prize of \$300 for a similar essay, and sent to all of them similar humane information — when he has caused nearly or more than three millions copies of "Black Beauty" to be distributed in our own and other lands in our own and other languages, and hundreds of thousands of copies of other humane prize stories to be distributed in every newspaper office in America and elsewhere — when, in process of time, his eyes shall be opened to the magnitude and grandeur of our work, then, perhaps, he may begin to realize, as he does not now, that his own editorials, if signed, may carry greater

weight than if sent out as the opinions of a person unknown.

We are, of course, always glad [as every good editor ought to be] to listen to well meant advice, but we think the wonderful growth of our work, extending, as it does, not only over our own country, but considerably over the world, is pretty good evidence that the signing of our editorials has done us no harm, and so we will [until we get somewhat older] continue to sign them.

GEO. T. ANGELL.



WHAT SOME OF OUR FRIENDS ARE DOING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

From Interstate Journal, White River Junction, Vt.

UNCONSCIOUS BARBARISM.

On a visit to the Adirondacks we saw and heard much to show the need of humane education.

A good Philadelphia mother told us how her son, sixteen years old, had been shooting loons and other small game for fun, and she had now sent him with the best guides into the woods that he might shoot a deer, and she trusted "that Divine Providence would protect him."

A guide's wife told us how a New England clergyman came up there a few years ago and shot so many deer for fun and left them to rot that the guides threatened to shoot him. A New York divine, while we were there, was found catching frogs to cut off their legs for bait, all for fun.

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DAVID SHERMAN, in *Zion's Herald*.

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